



& St. Peter's, Codsall Wood

**Sunday 16th December
Advent 3**

This week

DATES FOR THE WEEK

Welcome to our services today

- 8.00 am Holy Communion
- 9.30 am Parish Communion
- Hymns : 295, 182, 485, HC 527,
HC 264, 695.*
- 11.15 am All Age Service
- 6.30 pm Carol Service at St.
Nicholas Church - All Welcome**

Monday 17th

- 1.15 pm St. Nicholas Toddler Group -
Parish Rooms
- 1.30 pm Funeral for Pat Meehan -
Church & Bushbury Crematorium
- 7.00 pm Prayer Time
- 7.30pm-8.15pm Enquiry Evening

Tuesday 18th

- 9.45 am Tots@St.Nic's in church
- 3.30 pm St.Nic's@St.Nic's - St. Nicholas
First School

Wednesday 19th

- 12 noon Burial of ashes of Alice Greaves
in churchyard
- 7.30 pm Bellringing practice

Thursday 20th

- 9.30 am Funeral service for Edna Vater
at Telford Crematorium
- 10.15 am Holy Communion
- 7.15 pm Choir practice

**Next Sunday 23rd December
Advent 4**

- (No 8.00 am Holy Communion)*
- 9.30 am Parish Communion
- 11.15 am All Age Service
- 6.00 pm Candlelit Service at St.
Peter's, Codsall Wood**
- 6.30 pm Evensong

*Please join us for tea & coffee
after the 9.30 & 11.15 services*

**If you are a newcomer or visitor
we welcome you to our church**

Daily Prayer is at 9.00 am Tuesday-Thursday in church for 20 minutes - all welcome.

The community bus Every week we offer lifts to our 9.30 service on the community bus. The driver on **23rd December** will be **Maria de Loyde - 07946 587512**. If you don't usually go on the bus but would like a lift please call the driver on duty.

CAROLS AMONGST THE TREES, SUNDAY 16TH, 6.30pm

We're so excited to tell you that, provided technology behaves the way it should, our Carol service will be filmed LIVE over Facebook this year! A first for St Nic's, hopefully of many! We want to reach out to the whole community this Christmas, and so even if you can't get to church on Sunday evening, you will be able to join us as this special event happens. Please share our post and spread the word.

Sunday **23rd** at St. Peter's Codsall Wood there will be a **Carols by Candlelight** at **6 pm**.

Thank You

Owing to ill health Alan Jones has stepped down from being involved in the distribution of the parish magazines. We thank both Rosie & Alan for their dedication over the years and we now need someone to take over the well oiled machinery set up by Alan for the future organizing of the distribution of the magazines. If you feel you would like to be involved please contact Rev Marg Mattocks on **842168**.

Asylum Seeker/Refugee News

The Cake Sale last Sunday raised £213.80 which helped to provide food for the asylum seeker and refugee Christmas party yesterday; many thanks. Thanks also to all who prepared shoeboxes for the party. We collected about 150 and that amount was doubled from other sources. Santa and his elf helpers were kept very busy. Another opportunity for

supporting the work of the City of Sanctuary is a piano recital entitled "Far from the home I love" by Margaret Fingerhut at the Royal School on Sunday 10 February at 6pm. Tickets will be £10 for adults and £5 for under 18s, do come. **Mike Fox**

CHRISTMAS SERVICES AT ST. NICHOLAS CHURCH

Christmas Eve

3.00 pm Crib Service for all

5.00 pm Crib Service for all

11.30 pm Midnight Mass

Christmas Day

8.00 am Holy Communion

10.30 am Christmas

Family

Communion



CHRISTMAS SERVICES AT ST. PETER'S, CODSALL WOOD

Sunday 23rd

6.00 pm Carols by Candlelight

Christmas Day

9.00 am Christmas

Communion for all ages

CHANGE IN PATTERN OF WORSHIP BEGINNING JANUARY

Starting Sunday 6th January, we will be beginning a new pattern of worship which we hope will bring variety to our services. In keeping with our more traditional 9.30 services we will be using a form of Morning Prayer which we hope will bring the choir new opportunities and may bring something fresh to our worship together.

Listed are the new patterns which will be reviewed by the PCC in six months' time. Our New monthly patterns of worship will be :

Week 1

8.00 Holy Communion [BCP]

9.30 Holy Communion

11.15 Morning Worship

Week 2

9.00 Holy Communion [BCP] at St. Peter's

9.30 Morning Prayer

11.15 Holy Communion

Week 3

8.00 Holy Communion [BCP]

9.30 Holy Communion

11.15 Morning Worship

6.30 Evensong

Week 4

9.00 Holy Communion [BCP] at St. Peter's

9.30 Morning Prayer

11.15 Communion

Week 5

8.00 Holy Communion [BCP]

10.15 Combined Holy Communion

Prayers : As we light our 3rd advent candle this Sunday: We come to light a light of promise, to remember we are not alone, not abandoned, not lost, but held in the promise of God's love. In a world that sometime forgets God-with-us, we cling to your promise, Amen.

Those in particular need : Mark Smith, Olga Thompson, Ron Rowley, Sylvia Sharp, Harriet Lowe, Norman Huth, Ian Grantham, Ashley Moses, Bill Knight, Alan Jones & Heather Dean

The departed : Iris Gough, Pat Meehan & Edna Vater.

About St. Nicholas' Church, Codsall & St. Peter's Church, Codsall Wood

Parish Office: rear of Parish Rooms, Church Road

Parish Secretary - Angela Jevons Tel. 847786

(Office hours : **Tuesday & Thursday** - 10.00am - 1.00pm)

If you know someone who would appreciate the support of the church or would like to receive communion at home, or if you would like someone to be included in our prayers (and have asked them), please let Angela know.

Church website: www.stnicholascodsall.org.uk

E-newsletter : To receive this please email: stnicscodsall@gmail.com

Arranging baptisms and weddings

Every Monday (except Bank Hols) from 7.30pm - 8.15pm there is an Enquiry Evening at St. Nicholas Church for arranging weddings & christenings.

Clergy contact

We are served by a Ministry Team of clergy and lay people

Our Vicar is Revd. Margaret Mattocks

The Vicarage, 48 Church Road, Codsall, Staffs. WV8 1EH, Tel : 842168

Giving to the church We are very grateful to all who support our church in different ways. The easiest way to give regularly is by Standing Order. Please ask Jill Dodd for a form (or let her know if you use internet banking) and for a Gift Aid form if you pay tax. You can also fill in a green envelope to give in church using Gift Aid if you pay tax.